

Calvin Smith PTA Agenda and Minutes

Wednesday, March 10th (7 PM- 8 PM)

Zoom

Members Present: Lora Wright, Kami Huntsman, Ariane Mardis, Cindy Dunn, Ali Carlson, Meagan Obanan, Stephanie Proud, Megan Rowley



Approval of Minutes: Cindy Dunn motioned to approve Megan Rowley seconds the approval.

Treasurer Report

Business:

-Teacher Grants

Mrs. VanGorder: Purpose of the grant to buy more challenging text for small group. There are many students capable of reading above the advanced level for the basic program. Students work in challenging materials. This supports the growth of our more capable readers. The reading is tied to writing projects where the students learn to write their own informational text. Purchase includes: Magic Tree House #12 Polar Bears Past Bedtime \$5.99 (\$36.00), Magic Tree House Fact Tracker - Polar Bears and the Arctic \$6.99 (42.00), National Geographic Kids - Snakes \$5.99 (\$36.00), Magic Tree House # 6 Afternoon on the Amazon \$5.99 (\$36.00), Magic Tree House Fact Tracker - Rain Forest \$6.99 (42.00), Step into the Rainforest - Time for Kids \$7.69 (\$46.14) Total \$238.00. Lora Wright motions to approve and Cindy Dunn Seconds the motion.

Safety Patrol Grant: Dr. Moore has asked for help providing a reward or incentive for safety patrol, could be treats, t-shirts, or other. Asking for funds to make this happen as well as volunteer. Any volunteers who are willing to make this happen please let us know. Lora Wright motions to approve and Meagan Obbanon seconds funds of \$250 for safety patrol incentive.

The following approve to both grants via email: Kami Huntsman, Brittany Fenn, Ariane Mardis, Sharistan White, Ologa Iopu, Sara Marcrum, Andrea Chan, Liz Cox, Megan Rowley, Lindsay Cottrell, Kelli Whitney, Karen Yorgason, Ninalyn Nesbitt, Sarah Terry, Liz Jensen, Rori Douros, Cherie Root, Heidi Justice

-Report Volunteer Hours: Tracking volunteer hours in a new way! Go to <http://bit.ly/3kmFh8B> to enter your hours

-Calvin Smith PTA Bloomz account: Check your email for an invitation, we can invite you again, or **the code is Z28RUD**

-PTA Board Vacancies: Kami Read the Bylaws, Stephanie Proud presents nominations, Stephanie Proud motions to approve a voice vote and Cindy Dunn seconds that. Nominees: Kami Huntsman as President, Cyndi Beck as Treasurer, Ariane Mardis as Secretary, Karen Yorgason as Reflections VP, Andrea Chan as Membership VP, Cnidly Dunn as Principal VP, and Mr. Marcrum as Teacher Rep. VP. Voted in favor of nominees for this next year by voice vote and by email: Lora Wright, Meagan O'bannon, Cindy Dunn, Ali Carlson, Brittany Fenn, Ariane Mardis, Sharistan White, Ologa Iopu, Sara Marcrum, Andrea Chan, Liz Cox, Megan Rowley, Lindsay Cottrell, Kelli Whitney, Karen Yorgason, Ninalyn Nesbitt, Sarah Terry, Liz Jensen, Rori Douros, Cherie Root, Heidi Justice, Kami Huntsman, Ariane Mardis

-Volunteer Opportunities: Need help hanging Great Artist Program Masterpieces from February

-Donations Needed: Small water bottles, Regular size water bottles, White paper, Colored paper, Classroom snacks, Teacher snacks, Soar Ticket Incentives small prizes or snacks. Teachers have asked if we have more supplies.

Review:

-Souper Bowl of Caring: Met goals and celebrated 3rd week of February. Kids loved it. The rewards videos are posted on facebook.

-Spirit Night at Chick-fil-a: \$215 was generated. Thank you for your support!

-Chinese New Year: Classroom activities, ribbon dance lessons, decorations, take home kits. Positive feedback that this was a huge success! Cindy says something to consider for next year is that we have received a big grant from the confucius institute campus and not the congress has stopped that institute so we won't be given the money from that grant anymore.

-PTA Day at Capitol: Interesting opportunity to learn more about the legislative process and PTA advocacy opportunities. There are recordings if you would like to watch.

-Great Artist Program: Received 35 masterpieces from January, 80 from February

-Scholastic Book Fair: Not the best, hoping for in person next year. Stephanie said this year the proceeds were very poor. We only get 25 percent of the sales so we made very little.

-SEP Teacher Dinners: Teachers appreciated dinner and all said thank you. Also provided a drink bar for valentines and they loved it!

-Discounted Spirit Wear: Some styles are still available. We have contacted counselors and teachers about free shirts for anyone in need. Cindy says maybe offer some to the students that have just joined and registering for our school recently.

Upcoming Events:

-Spirit Night for March is at Panda Express

-Great Artist Program: Paper and Link will go out the 4th Monday of the month (March 22). Returned art by the 1st Monday of the following month, to be displayed on the Gallery of Masterpieces wall in the school - Due back after Spring Break April 5th. March's artist is Henri Matisse "Goldfish". Need help hanging art from February - any volunteers please let us know.

-Reading Week: Dress up days, colored bookmarks, BINGO, and flyers were sent home. All positive feedback from the teachers, over 250 students completed BINGO!!!! The kids LOVED the bingo!

-Membership Drive: Raffle for 10 awesome gift baskets for anyone who joins our PTA this school year before March 19th. We will do this again next year but most likely in the fall.

-Needs Assessment: We have a survey going out and there is a link sent in bloomz and through email so please complete the survey. A prize will be given for completing the survey. Teachers, Faculty, and Guardians can complete the survey.

-PTA Region Award Winners: Outstanding Support Staff - Cathy Mills, Outstanding Elementary Educator - Meredith Harker, Outstanding School Administrator - Cindy Dunn, Outstanding Volunteer - Kami Huntsman, Development Award - Meagan O'bannon with Brain Week. All 5 winners will move up to the state level.

Looking Ahead:

-PTA Meeting April 7th 9:30 AM via zoom

-Spirit Night: Del Taco April 15th

-Great Artist Program: Paul Cezanne "Pommes Et Oranges" to be sent home April 19th and return on April 26th

-White Ribbon Week: April 5-8th- Right After Spring Break

-Fundraiser: Donation only with awesome prizes for the whole school. If we need to adjust the levels for the prizes we will do that but we wanted to set the bar high to start out with. We will have business cards to send out also. April 1-15th

-Counseling Center has an awesome website that you can go on to see all of the things they have available.

-Earth Day: Service Project for the school April 22nd

-Field Day:

-Family Day: Combining Mother/Son and Father/Daughter

-Graduation: If you would like to help with this let us know.

Principal Report:

-Kindergarten Registration starts March 1

-4th Quarter Learning Options due March 12th. We've gotten about 500 responses so far.

-Soar Tickets: we've given 13,000 soar tickets this year so far! The kids love it!

-Playground Equipment was opened up last week and the kids were so thrilled. It was like Christmas.

-Dual Immersion still has several slots in it which never happens. Spread the news.

Signature: *Lora Wright*